Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of September 3, 2013

Office of School Facilities Jaime G. Torrens, Chief Facilities Officer

SUBJECT:

AUTHORIZATION TO REPLACE MECHANICAL/ ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SUBCONSULTANT IN THE AGREEMENT WITH MICHELSON ARCHITECTS, INC., SALTZ ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING PROJECTS CONSULTANT (A/EPC) FOR MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS UP TO \$2M EACH FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM

COMMITTEE:

FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY/STABILITY

On April 17, 2013, The School Board of Miami-Dade County commissioned Saltz Michelson Architects, Inc. (SMA), as an A/EPC firm for miscellaneous projects up to \$2,000,000 each, for a four-year term. In the agreement with SMA, the firm of Johnson, Avedano, Lopez, Rodriguez & Walewski Engineering Group, Inc., (JALRW), was listed as Mechanical/Electrical Engineering subconsultant. The agreement requires prior written approval by the Board for replacement of the original designated subconsultants.

SMA has notified staff that JALRW requested that they be released from their A/EPC agreement with SMA due to the fact that JALRW is currently a mechanical/electrical engineering subconsultant to Parsons Brinckerhoff, the firm commissioned by the Board on May 8, 2013 as the District's Program Management Support Services firm. Therefore, SMA is requesting that JALRW be replaced with Louis J. Aguirre & Associates, P.A., to provide mechanical/electrical engineering services for this continuing term contract. Louis J. Aguirre & Associates, P.A. has agreed to enter into an agreement with SMA, if approved by the Board.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the replacement of Mechanical/Electrical Engineering Subconsultant in agreement with Saltz Michelson Architects. Architectural/Engineering Projects Consultant for miscellaneous projects up to \$2M each for a four-year term, as follows:

- 1) Replacement of Johnson, Avedano, Lopez, Rodriguez & Walewski Engineering Group, Inc., with Louis J. Aguirre & Associates, P.A. to provide mechanical/electrical engineering services: and
- 2) Provide written notification of this action to the firm.

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